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This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.

## 1. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114

a.  Previously submitted:

- Consider the amendment(s) reply under 37 C.F.R. §1.116 previously filed on November 21, 2003.
- Consider the arguments in the Appeal Brief or Reply Brief previously filed on \_\_\_\_\_.
- Other:

b.  Enclosed is:

- Amendment/Reply
- Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
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- Other

## 2. Miscellaneous

Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of \_\_\_\_\_ months. (Period of suspension shall not exceed 3 months; fee under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(i) required).

Other:

## 3. Fees: (Note: The RCE fee under 37 C.F.R. §1.17(e) is required by 37 C.F.R. §1.114 when the RCE is filed)

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